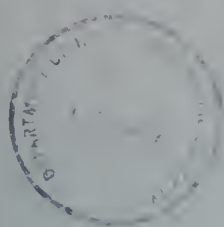


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BLYTH RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
AND OF THE
SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

FOR THE YEAR

1968

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MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH AND CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

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TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE BLYTH RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

Mr. Chairman, My Lady, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report for 1968.

There has been a further slight decrease in the population of the district, from 19,090 in 1967, to 19,040 in the year under review. The number of births has fallen from 265 in 1967, to 245, which gives a drop in the Birth Rate per 1,000 population from 13.9 to 12.9. This figure is quite considerably below the figure for England and Wales of 16.9. The Adjusted Death Rate for the district for 1968 was 9.5 compared with 11.9 for England and Wales as a whole. These figures confirm the opinion I expressed in the previous Annual Report that the population of the district is an ageing one, and it is to this age group that planning must continue to be directed in relation to such services as housing, home help and meals on wheels services etc. In addition to the parishes outlined in the last Annual Report as having a meals on wheels service, this has now been extended to include the majority of the parishes in the District.

It is pleasing to report that the preparation of a group scheme for housing the aged from Blyth and Saxmundham districts reached completion during the year.

The number of Infant Deaths (i.e. deaths under 1 year) continues creditably low, and it is pleasing to note that there were no maternal deaths. The causes of death of the two infants, was in one case prematurity and in the other congenital heart disease. The number of deaths (of all ages) exceeded the number of births by 22.

Apart from measles, little infectious disease was notified. The year was a bad one for measles, as it was throughout most of this part of England, and a total of 221 cases was notified. It is hoped that the recently introduced immunisation against measles will "catch-on", so that what is virtually the last remaining infectious disease of childhood can be eradicated in the not too, distant future.

I have now completed by first full year as your Medical Officer, and I should like to take this opportunity of saying that the year has been a most pleasant one. I have enjoyed my association with your Health Committee and my colleagues, and my duties with your Council have been quite full of interest. May I take this opportunity of thanking you Mr. Chairman and Council Members, for the interest you have shown in the Health matters affecting the District.

I have the honour to be

Your obedient servant,

ARTHUR C. GEE

Medical Officer of Health.

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area (in acres) 98,184
 Registrar-General's estimate of population (mid-1968)... 19,040
 Number of inhabited houses (estimated) 6,923
 Rateable Value396,490
 Product of Penny Rate (estimated) 1,560

	BLYTH R.D.C.	England and Wales	
<u>LIVE BIRTHS</u>			
Number	245	-	c
Rate per 1,000 population	12.9	16.9	
<u>ILLEGITIMATE LIVE BIRTHS</u> per cent of total live births	2.4	+	
<u>STILLBIRTHS</u>			
Number	2	-	c
Rate per 1,000 total live and still births	8.1	14.0	
<u>TOTAL LIVE AND STILL BIRTHS</u>	247	-	
<u>INFANT DEATHS</u> (deaths under 1 year)	2	-	
<u>INFANT MORTALITY RATES</u>			
Total infant deaths per 1,000 total live births	8.16	18.0	
Legitimate infant deaths per 1,000 legitimate live births	8.65	+	
Illegitimate infant deaths per 1,000 illegitimate live births	NIL	+	
<u>NEO-NATAL MORTALITY RATE</u> (deaths under 4 weeks per 1,000 total live births)	4.1	12.3	
<u>EARLY NEO-NATAL MORTALITY RATE</u> (deaths under 1 week per 1,000 live births)	4.1	10.5	
<u>PERINATAL MORTALITY RATE</u> (stillbirths and deaths under 1 week combined per 1,000 total live and stillbirths)	12.1	25.0	
<u>MATERNAL MORTALITY</u> (including abortion)			
Number of deaths	NIL	-	
Rate per 1,000 total live and still births	NIL	+	

- Not applicable

+ Not yet available

c Based on estimated births

VITAL STATISTICS

LIVE BIRTHS	Male	Female	TOTAL
TOTAL	131	114	245
Legitimate	125	106	231
Illegitimate	6	8	14

STILL BIRTHS	Male	Female	TOTAL
TOTAL	1	1	2
Legitimate	1	1	2
Illegitimate	-	-	-

DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER 1 YEAR OF AGE	Male	Femal	TOTAL
TOTAL	2	-	2
Legitimate	2	-	2
Illegitimate	-	-	-

DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER 4 WEEKS OF AGE	Male	Female	TOTAL
TOTAL	1	-	1
Legitimate	1	-	1
Illegitimate	-	-	-

DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER 1 WEEK OF AGE	Male	Female	TOTAL
TOTAL	1	-	1
Legitimate	1	-	1
Illegitimate	-	-	-

DEATHS - ALL AGES	Male	Female	TOTAL
.....	137	130	267


R A T E S

	BLYTH R.D.C.	England & Wales
Adjusted Birth Rate	14.8	-
Death rate per 1,000 estimated population	14.0	11.9
Adjusted Death Rate	9.5	-

Comparability Factor (Births) 1.15
 " " (Deaths) 0.68

CAUSES OF INFANT DEATHS (2)

SEX	AGE	CAUSE OF DEATHS
M	2 Months	Congenital Heart Disease
M	7 Hours	Prematurity



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CAUSES OF DEATH

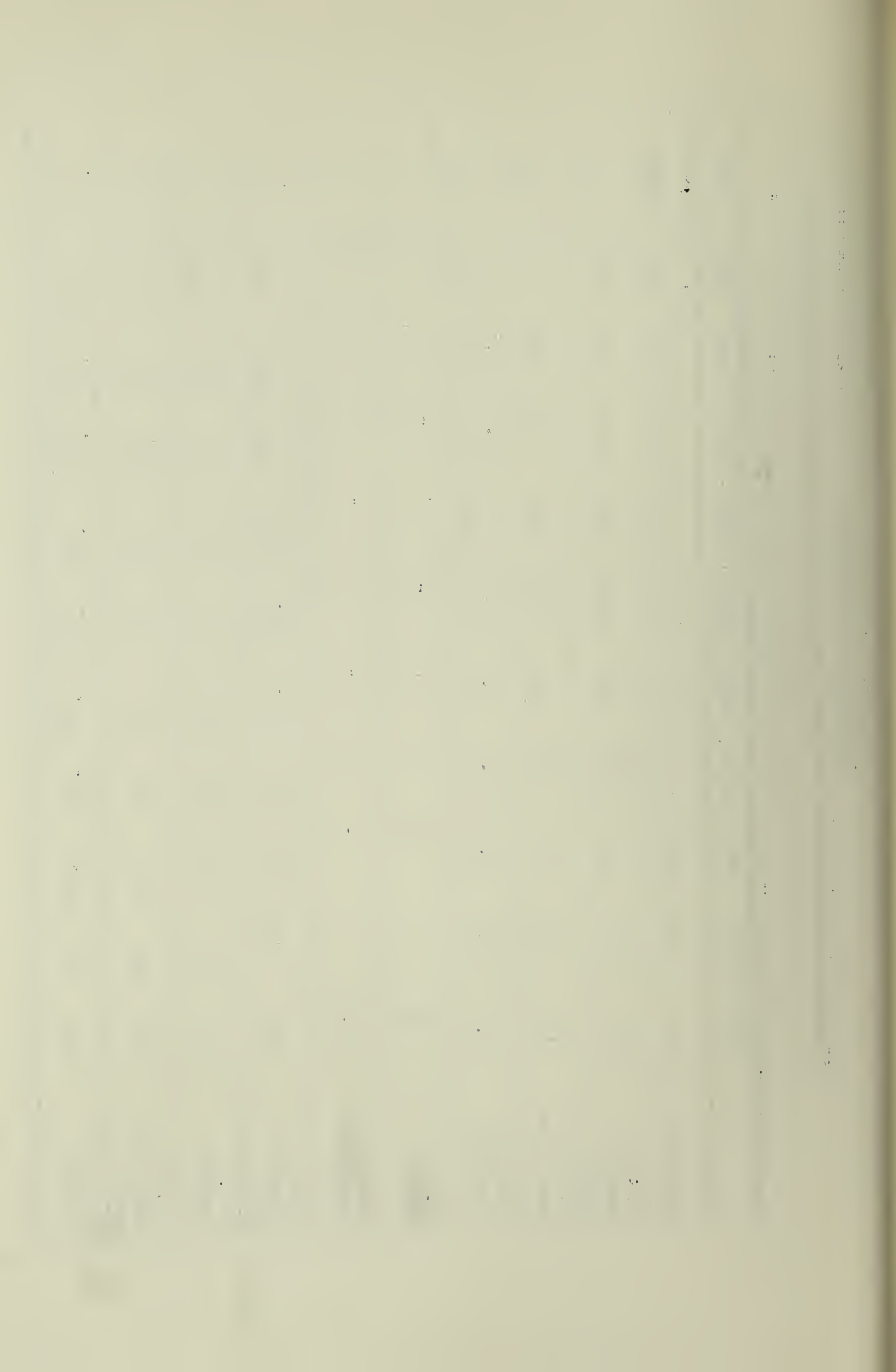
		MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
B18	Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	1	1	2
B19(1)	Malignant Neoplasm - Stomach	6	3	9
B19(2)	Malignant Neoplasm - Lung, Bronchus	11	3	14
B19(3)	Malignant Neoplasm - Breast	-	3	3
B19(6)	Other Malignant Neoplasms, etc.	15	14	29
B20	Benign and Unspecified Neoplasms	-	1	1
B21	Diabetes Mellitus	-	2	2
B46(2)	Other Diseases of Blood, etc.	1	-	1
B46(4)	Other Diseases of Nervous System etc.	2	1	3
B26	Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	1	-	1
B27	Hypertensive Disease	-	1	1
B28	Ischaemic Heart Disease	29	33	62
B29	Other forms of Heart Disease	6	6	12
B30	Cerebrovascular Disease	18	18	36
B46(5)	Other Diseases of Circulatory System	8	6	14
B31	Influenza	2	4	6
B32	Pneumonia	10	18	28
B33(11)	Bronchitis and Emphysema	4	1	5
B46(6)	Other Diseases of Respiratory System	3	1	4
B34	Peptic Ulcer	1	-	1
B36	Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia	-	1	1
B37	Cirrhosis of Liver	3	-	3
B46(7)	Other Diseases of Digestive System	-	1	-
B38	Nephritis and Nephrosis	1	-	-
B39	Hyperplasia of Prostate	2	-	2
B46(8)	Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System	1	-	1
B41	Other Complications of Pregnancy, etc.	-	1	1
B46(10)	Diseases of Musculo-Skeletal System	1	2	3
B42	Congenital Anomalies	1	-	1
B44	Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality	1	-	1
B45	Symptoms and Ill-defined Conditions	-	1	1
EE47	Motor Vehicle Accidents	5	-	5
EE48	All Other Accidents	4	7	11
EE50	All Other External Causes	-	1	1
<u>TOTAL ALL CAUSES</u>		137	130	267

DEATHS FROM CANCER OF THE LUNG AND BRONCHUS DURING THE YEARS 1958 - 68

YEAR	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	DEATH RATE PER 1,000 POPULATION
1958	4	-	4	0.20
1959	8	1	9	0.41
1960	4	1	5	0.26
1961	6	3	9	0.47
1962	6	2	8	0.42
1963	4	2	6	0.32
1964	2	3	5	0.26
1965	6	2	8	0.37
1966	12	2	14	0.72
1967	4	4	8	0.42
1968	11	3	14	0.74
TOTAL	67	23	90	

COMPARATIVE STATISTICS

	Y E A R										
	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
Population	19,100	19,160	19,110	18,760	18,920	19,000	19,230	19,250	19,170	19,090	19,040
No. of inhabited houses	6,661	6,698	6,730	6,737	6,684	6,500	6,512	6,638	6,694	6,719	6,923
No. of Live Births	324	297	292	270	302	315	301	278	271	265	245
Birth Rate (crude)	16.9	15.5	15.28	14.4	15.9	16.6	15.6	14.4	14.1	13.9	12.9
No. of Still Births	9	5	5	6	6	-	4	-	3	6	2
Maternal Mortality	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Infant Mortality Rate	12.3	10.1	34.24	14.8	16.2	15.9	23.2	14.4	22.1	3.8	8.16
(No. of Deaths)	(4)	(3)	(10)	(4)	(5)	(5)	(7)	(4)	(6)	(1)	(2)
No. of Deaths (all ages)	283	262	272	293	276	277	234	240	261	246	267
Death Rate (crude)	14.8	13.8	14.23	15.6	14.5	14.6	12.1	12.5	13.61	12.9	14.0



DISEASES NOTIFIED DURING THE YEAR, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO MONTH OF OCCURRENCE

	MEASLES	SCARLET FEVER	WHOOPING COUGH	PNEUMONIA	ERYSIPELAS	DYSENTERY	SALMONELLA	INFECTIVE HEPATITIS
January	39	-	-	9	1	-	-	-
February	18	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
March	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
April	1	1	1	2	1	-	-	-
May	9	1	2	-	-	1	-	-
June	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
July	54	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
August	59	-	2	-	-	2	-	-
September	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
October	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
November	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
December	9	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
TOTAL	221	5	6	11	2	3	3	1

TOTAL - 252

TUBERCULOSIS

	MALES		FEMALES		TOTAL
	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	
No. of cases on the Register at 31st December, 1967	15	4	12	7	38
No. of cases added during the year	3	-	1	-	4
No. of cases removed during the year	3	1	2	-	6
No. of cases on the Register at 31st December, 1968	15	3	11	7	36

CASES ADDED TO THE REGISTER		CASES REMOVED FROM THE REGISTER	
New notifications	4	Recovered	4
Inward transfers	-	Died	2
		Removed to other areas	-
TOTAL	4	TOTAL	6

Immunisations for 1968

	Primary Course	Booster Dose or Revaccination
Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis	154	102
Diphtheria/Tetanus	7	101
Diphtheria	-	-
Tetanus	34	95
Salk Poliomyelitis	6	12
Sabin Poliomyelitis	179	184
Smallpox	158	22
Measles	131	-

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHIEF PUBLIC
HEALTH INSPECTOR FOR 1968

TO: The Chairman and Members of the Blyth Rural District Council

Mr.Chairman, My Lady, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in submitting my fifth annual report.

Once again I am pleased to record my appreciation to the officers in my department for the work they have carried out, and my thanks are also due to the Clerk of the Council and the Treasurer for their assistance and advice.

I am,

Your obedient Servant,

A.A.WHITING

Chief Public Health Inspector.

Council Offices,
Rendham Road,
Saxmundham

Tele: Saxmundham 2551

WATER SUPPLY

Public Supply The East Anglian Water Company are the statutory water undertakers and they supply water to every parish in the district. The following figures regarding the number of dwellings supplied have been provided by the Company.

	Water Supplied direct to Houses	Water Supplied by Standpipe
	No. of Dwellinghouses	No. of Dwellinghouses
Aldringham-cum-Thorpe		6
Badingham	60	30
Benhall	132	12
Blythburgh	90	14
Bramfield	115	10
Brandeston	57	4
Bruisyard	27	5
Chediston	38	13
Cookley	22	4
Cransford	45	4
Cratfield	55	18
Darsham	84	22
Dennington	101	7
Dunwich	41	8
Easton	80	5
Earl Soham	111	26
Framlingham	692	60
Farnham	26	1
Friston	161	14
Gt. Glemham	63	--
Lt. Glemham	57	--
Hacheston	101	7
Heveningham	30	3
Huntingfield	48	5
Kelsale	304	9
Kettleburgh	39	9
Knodishall	156	20
Linstead Magna	5	1
Linstead Parva	18	3
Marlesford	73	11
Middleton	128	22
Parham	77	4
Peasenhall	150	20
Rendham	83	--
Saxtead	61	9
Sibton	51	11
Snape	155	5
Stratford St. Andrew	34	8
Sternfield	38	3
Sweffling	52	5
Theberton	101	16
Thorington	5	1
Ubbeston	15	2
Walberswick	233	8
Walpole	51	10
Wenhaston	225	37
Westleton	164	13
Yoxford	205	17
	4,981	522

Private Supply

The number of samples of water taken from private sources and sent for bacteriological examination was 44 and of this number 25 were satisfactory and 19 unsatisfactory. A further 31 samples were forwarded for nitrate analysis and of these 20 were satisfactory (below 20 p.p.m.) and 11 unsatisfactory.

Advice on alternative sources and remedial measures continued to be given when a sample proved unsatisfactory.

SEWERAGE & SEWERAGE DISPOSAL

The villages of Kelsale, Framlingham, Peasenhall, Sibton, Yoxford and Walberswick have main sewerage. The position in regard to other schemes is as follows:-

(i) Aldringham, Thorpeness, Knodishall.

Tenders for this scheme were accepted in November 1968, the total contract sum being £297,403. Work was due to commence in January 1969, the maximum contract period being 18 months.

(ii) Earl Soham

A tender for this scheme was accepted in February, 1968, the contract sum being £70,694. Work commenced in May 1968, the contract period being 12 months.

(iii) Darsham, Middleton, Theberton, Westleton.

The local engineering investigation was held on the 2nd and 3rd January 1968. The Ministry approved the scheme in principle in February 1968 but asked the Council to defer it on financial consideration. The Council were however permitted to prepare the scheme up to tender stage and the documents were sent to the Ministry of Housing & Local Government in November, 1968.

(iv) Blythburgh, Wenhaston and Bramfield.

The local engineering investigation was held on the 2nd and 3rd of January 1968. The Ministry approved the scheme in principle in February 1968 but asked the Council to defer it on financial consideration. The Council were however permitted to prepare the scheme up to tender stage and the consulting engineers were instructed accordingly.

(v) Friston, Snape, Sternfield, Benhall and Saxmundham.

The apportionment of costs to be borne by Blyth Rural District Council and Saxmundham Urban District Council were agreed and planning consents obtained for the necessary pumping stations and works sites. Preliminary negotiations were opened with the owners concerned.

(vi) Easton

An outline scheme was received from the consulting engineers and approved by the Council. An alternative site for the proposed sewage disposal works was under investigation.

(vii) Dennington

An outline scheme for sewerage this village was received from the consulting engineers and subject to minor amendments, was approved by the Council.

H O U S I N G

1. GENERAL STATISTICS

(a) No. of Houses inspected	188
(Does not include Revisits)	
(Does not include Council House visits carried out by Housing Manager)	
(b) No. unsatisfactory in any respect	180
(c) No. rendered fit:	
(i) Informal	171
(ii) Formal - Public Health Acts	-
(iii) Formal - Housing Acts (Section 9)	-
(iv) By undertakings (Section 16)	-
(v) Repair of Scheduled (1955) unfit houses	-
(d) No. Demolition Orders secured	-
(e) No. dwellings included in Clearance Orders secured	-
(f) No. demolished by informal action	-
No. demolished under Demolition Orders	2
No. demolished under Clearance Orders	-
(g) No. of dwellings in respect of which or part of which Closing Orders were made (including Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1953)	-
(h) Undertakings accepted not to relet unfit houses	3
(i) Overcrowding: No known cases in the district throughout the year.	-
(j) Certificates of Disrepair	-

2. Provision of Housing Accommodation

	By Local Authority		By Private Enterprise	
	Permanent	Temporary	Permanent	Temporary
Dwellings completed during the year	35	-	69	-
Number of dwellings in course of construction on 31st December, 1968.	19	-	121	-
Total number of houses owned by the Council on 31st December, 1968.	1070	25	-	-

IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

	Discretionary	Standard
Number of dwellings in respect of which applications for grant were received	32	60
Number of grants approved	30	54
Number of dwellings improved by grant aid and completed in the year	33	49
Applications refused ..	2	-
Applications withdrawn	1	2
Note : the apparant discrepancy between applications received and approved is due to the time lag between receipt and formal approval by the Council.		

The following statement sets out the grants paid and the number of dwellings improved with grant aid for each year since the grants were available. The grants paid to date total £338,722 in respect of 1319 dwellings. At 1st April, 1968 there were 6,794 dwellings of which 1084 were Council Houses and 5710 were privately owned. Of the privately owned dwellings, therefore, almost one-quarter have now been improved with the aid of grants. (Actual percentage 23%).

Year	Discretionary Grants				Standard Grants				Remarks
	No.	£	s	d	No.	£	s	d	
1951/2	1	89.	12.	.4.					To 31st. March, 1954
1952/3	11	2354	3.	0.					the Council's
1953/4	6	1384	18.	0.					portion was met ann-
1954/5	37	9080	7.	6.					ually in full from
1955/6	82	18049	0.	0.					the General Rate
1956/7	47	11897	0.	0.					Fund.
1957/8	48	15245	0.	0.					From 1st April, 1954
1958/9	61	16553	10.	0.					the Council's
1959/60	69	20121	10.	0.	6	717	9.	1.	portion is covered
1960/1	63	21215	10.	0.	34	3825	19.	4.	by loans raised
1961/2	68	23005	0.	0.	35	4068	8.	8.	from time to time
1962/3	86	29421	0.	0.	57	7470	14.	9.	for the 20 years
1963/4	47	15462	10.	0.	48	6400	8.	8.	loan periods.
1964/5	61	20557	0.	0.	48	6582	13.	4.	The amount required
1965/6	55	22668	10.	0.	75	11651	17.	7.	from rates is,
1966/7	43	15058	17.	6.	62	12147	3.	3.	therefore, the
1967/8	41	14775	0.	0.	61	11193	14.	5.	difference between
To Date									loan charges pay-
1968/9	27	10287	0.	0.	40	7438	11.	7.	able and subsidies
(Feb.Sch.)									receivable, and
									this is shown in
									the Rate Poundage
									statement below.
	853	267225	8.	4.	466	71497	0.	8.	Average Discretionary
									Grant £313
									Average Standard
									Grant £153

Housing

The number of grants approved during the year shows a reduction on the previous year. This may be due to the general problem of restriction on credit and borrowing and also the knowledge that proposals were to be put before Parliament to vary the grant scheme.

FOOD HYGIENE

1. GENERAL STATISTICS

- (a) The number of food premises in the area and type of business (approx.):-

Grocery and General	78
Bakers	5
Butchers	10
Public Houses selling Ice Cream	7
Ice Cream Only	3
Cafes	8
Fishmongers	8
Greengrocers	3

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- (b) No. of visits made 181
(c) No. found to be unsatisfactory 8
(d) No. rendered satisfactory..... 7
(e) No. of premises on register under Section 16,
Food and Drugs Act, 1955.
 (i) Ice Cream - Manufacture -
 Storage or Sale only 97
 (ii) Sausages, preserved food, etc. 4
(f) No. of licensed slaughterhouses 3

Inspections have been made throughout the year of food premises and these were principally routine inspections. Some minor infringements of the Food Hygiene Regulations were found and these have been rectified without recourse to formal action.

The standard of hygiene in food shops within the district remains fairly good and owners have shown a willingness to co-operate in keeping their premises in a good state of cleanliness and general hygiene condition.

Notices have been issued to food premises requesting that customers do not take their dogs into the shop and these have been greatly appreciated by the shop keepers as they have found this a problem in the past.

2. MEAT INSPECTION

	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
No. killed	393	4	19	100	667
No. inspected	393	4	19	100	667
Whole carcasses condemned: Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	-
Other causes	2	2	1	-	6
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned :					
Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	10
Other causes	28	-	1	-	37

There are three slaughterhouses in the district.

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

Refuse Collection

In the early part of the year Messrs. Urwick, Orr & Partners carried out work study on the collection service. Their survey resulted in the introduction of a bonus scheme for the collectors and also the complete rescheduling of the collection rounds. A General Foreman was appointed to supervise the outside staff.

The system of collection remains a kerbside one which throughout most of the district is fortnightly. As a step towards bringing the whole of the district into a weekly collection a Ford Norba 50 cu.yd. refuse vehicle was placed on order.

During the re-organisation of the collection schedules the opportunity was taken to request that only purpose made dustbins were used. The great majority of householders appreciated that it was necessary to have a proper bin and the varied collection of bowls, buckets etc. which were previously in use have disappeared.

Refuse Disposal

In October the Public Health Committee considered a report on refuse disposal in the district. Tipping space is rapidly being used up and the Committee had, by the end of the year, given consideration to the possibility of providing a centrally sited pulveriser plant. Investigations were being carried out in greater detail.

Cesspool Emptying

This service was included in the work study survey but no firm conclusions were reached regarding its organisation.

The number of emptyings carried out in the year were as follows:-

	Loads	Percentage
Council House Cesspools etc.	3,295	62.21%
Private Housing	2,002	37.79%

CARAVAN AND CAMPING SITES

Number of sites licensed	49
Number of inspections	24
Number of caravans	
(a) for holiday use	241
(b) for residential use	48

There has been very little change during the year in the number of authorised caravans in the district.

Proceedings were instituted for contraventions on one site of site licence conditions. These related to overcrowding and insanitary conditions. The owner of the site was fined £25. At the end of the year it was apparent that further proceedings would be necessary in this case.

RODENT CONTROL

Rats and Mice Destruction

No. of inspections : Notified	356
Otherwise	462
Rat Infestations : Major	192
Minor	582
Mice only	29
No. treated	914
No. of premises treated : (a) Dwellinghouses ..	820
(b) Other premises ..	79

Routine treatments were carried out in the year using mainly Warfarin as the poison. The Council's operator retired in December and his successor received training from the Divisional Pests Officer, Ministry of Agriculture.

FACTORIES ACT 1961

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Number of		
		Inspections (3)	Written Notices (4)	Occupiers Prosecuted (5)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities.	10	10	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.	74	15	-	-
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises)	69	62	-	-
TOTAL	153	87	-	-

Particulars (1)	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted. (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	To.H.M. Inspector (4)	By H.M. Inspector (5)	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)	-	-	-	-	-
(a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	-	-	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Out-work)	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	-	-	-	-	-

OUTWORK (Sections 133 and 134)

Nature of Work	Section 133			Section 134		
	No. of outworkers in August list required by Section 133(1) (c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices served	Prosecutions
	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
<u>Wearing Apparel</u>	-	-	-	-	-	-
Making etc.	29	-	-	-	-	-

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES

The number and type of premises is summarised in the following table:-

Class of Premises	Number of premises registered during the year	Total number of registered premises at end of year	Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Offices	-	13	6
Retail Shops	1	41	35
Wholesale shops, warehouses	-	1	1
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens.	-	11	11
Fuel storage depots	-	-	-
TOTAL	1	66	53

NUMBER OF VISITS OF ALL KINDS BY INSPECTORS TO REGISTERED PREMISES - 58

<u>ANALYSIS OF PERSONS EMPLOYED IN REGISTERED PREMISES BY WORKPLACE</u>	
Class of Workplace (1)	Number of persons employed (2)
Offices	49
Retail Shops	119
Wholesale departments, warehouses..	2
Catering establishments open to public	101
Canteens	-
Fuel Storage	-
Total	271
Total Males	96
Total Females	175

ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTION

Measurement of atmospheric pollution from the two sites at Framlingham and Sibton has continued during the year and the results sent to the Warren Spring Laboratory. There was no significant change in the figures which continue to show a very slight degree of pollution.

TOWN PLANNING AND BUILDING REGULATIONS

Year	No. of applications received.
1968	691
1967	747
1966	764
1965	745
1964	714

There has been a slight fall in the number of applications received in the year, but the anticipated average of 60 applications each month is being maintained.

The relationship between the department and the builders continues to be good and problems which arise from time to time are settled quickly and amicably.

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